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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Proper Location of OSI

REFERENCE : Memorandum for DCI, dated 19 March 1962,
from DD/I, same subject.

1. My reasons for recommending the inclusion of OSI in the DD/R were covered briefly in paragraph 2. d. of my memorandum on the organization of the DD/R. However, I should like to make the following points relative to the referenced DD/I paper on this subject.

a. Paragraph 3 stresses the close integration desired in the production of scientific intelligence with other parts of intelligence. I concur in this philosophy but believe that this integration will be no less if OSI is in the DD/R than it has been in the past within the DD/I. I have continuously urged for greater integration of OSI with other elements of the DD/I but in practice OSI has always remained a scientific island in this area. Only recently I had strongly urged the incorporation of production and deployment aspects of missiles with the OSI effort but the DD/I rejected this proposal. Therefore I see little reason why OSI as a unit within the DD/R cannot continue to support the DD/I production efforts as before and hopefully with higher quality intelligence because of its closer association with a number of collection activities.

b. Paragraph 5 implies that the AD/SI would be in a better position to represent the Agency if he were not under the shadow of the DD/R. I do not concur in the logic of this argument since I believe that in my position as DD/R I will be able to foster very close relationships with other scientific groups and enhance the scientific prestige of the AD/SI more effectively than could be the case when the AD/SI was subordinated in a nontechnical organization. In this connection

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I have discussed this question with a number of outside scientists who are familiar with CIA activities and they concurred in the desirability of keeping this group closely associated with my other work.

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